

#### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the second full paragraph on page 15 of the specification as filed with the following amended paragraph:

The nucleic acids encoding the UPR modulating proteins can be obtained from a variety of sources. Preferred organisms include but are not limited to *Saccharomyces* spp. including but not limited to *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, *Aspergillus* spp. and *Trichoderma* spp. Also other suitable yeasts and other fungi, such as *Schizosaccharomyces* spp. including but not limited to *Schizosaccharomyces pombe*, *Kluyveromyces* spp. including but not limited to *Kluyveromyces lactis*, *Pichia* spp., *Hansenula* spp., *Fusarium* spp., *Neurospora* spp. and *Penicillium* spp. can be used. Homologous genes from other organisms can also be used. In one aspect, homologous genes refer to genes which are related, but not identical, in their DNA sequence and/or perform the same function are homologous with each other and are called each other's homologues.